



WCHA PLAYOFF CHAMPIONS

Season	Playoff Champion(s)	Coach	Season	Playoff Champion(s)	Coach
1959-60	Denver *	Murray Armstrong	1981-82	Wisconsin	Bob Johnson
	Michigan Tech *	John MacInnes	1982-83	Wisconsin	Jeff Sauer
1960-61	Denver *	Murray Armstrong	1983-84	Minnesota Duluth	Mike Serlich
	Minnesota*	John Mariucci	1984-85	Minnesota Duluth	Mike Serlich
1961-62	Michigan Tech	John MacInnes	1985-86	Denver	Ralph Backstrom
1962-63	Denver	Murray Armstrong	1986-87	North Dakota	Gino Gasparini
1963-64	Denver	Murray Armstrong	1987-88	Wisconsin	Jeff Sauer
1964-65	Michigan Tech	John MacInnes	1988-89	Northern Michigan	Rick Comley
1965-66	Denver •	Murray Armstrong	1989-90	Wisconsin	Jeff Sauer
	Michigan State •	Amo Bessone	1990-91	Northern Michigan	Rick Comley
1966-67	Michigan State •	Amo Bessone	1991-92	Northern Michigan	Rick Comley
	North Dakota •	Bill Selman	1992-93	Minnesota	Doug Woog
1967-68	Denver •	Murray Armstrong	1993-94	Minnesota	Doug Woog
	North Dakota •	Bill Selman	1994-95	Wisconsin	Jeff Sauer
1968-69	Denver +	Murray Armstrong	1995-96	Minnesota	Doug Woog
	Michigan Tech +	John MacInnes	1996-97	North Dakota	Dean Blais
1969-70	Michigan Tech +	John MacInnes	1997-98	Wisconsin	Jeff Sauer
	Wisconsin +	Bob Johnson	1998-99	Denver	George Gwozdecky
1970-71	Denver +	Murray Armstrong	1999-00	North Dakota	Dean Blais
	Minnesota +	Herb Brooks	2000-01	St. Cloud State	Craig Dahl
1971-72	Denver •	Murray Armstrong	2001-02	Denver	George Gwozdecky
	Wisconsin •	Bob Johnson	2002-03	Minnesota	Don Lucia
1972-73	Denver •	Murray Armstrong	2003-04	Minnesota	Don Lucia
	Wisconsin •	Bob Johnson	2004-05	Denver	George Gwozdecky
1973-74	Michigan Tech •	John MacInnes	2005-06	North Dakota	Dave Hakstol
	Minnesota •	Herb Brooks	2006-07	Minnesota	Don Lucia
1974-75	Michigan Tech •	John MacInnes	2007-08	Denver	George Gwozdecky
	Minnesota •	Herb Brooks	2008-09	Minnesota Duluth	Scott Sandelin
1975-76	Michigan Tech •	John MacInnes	2009-10	North Dakota	Dave Hakstol
	Minnesota •	Herb Brooks	2010-11	North Dakota	Dave Hakstol
1976-77	Wisconsin	Bob Johnson	2011-12	North Dakota	Dave Hakstol
1977-78	Colorado College •	Jeff Sauer	2012-13	Wisconsin	Mike Eaves
	Wisconsin •	Bob Johnson	2013-14	Minnesota State	Mike Hastings
1978-79	Minnesota •	Herb Brooks	2014-15	Minnesota State	Mike Hastings
	North Dakota •	Gino Gasparini	2015-16	Ferris State	Bob Daniels
1979-80	Minnesota •	Herb Brooks	2016-17	Michigan Tech	Mel Pearson
	North Dakota •	Gino Gasparini	2017-18	Michigan Tech	Joe Shawhan
1980-81	Michigan Tech •	John MacInnes			
	Minnesota •	Brad Buetow			

* first round playoff winners; • second round playoff winners;
+ East and West Regional playoff winner



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PLAYOFF CHAMPIONSHIPS WON BY TEAM

Titles Team (Playoff Championship Seasons)

15	Denver (1960*, 1961*, 1963, 1964, 1966*, 1968*, 1969+, 1971+, 1972*, 1973*, 1986, 1999, 2002, 2005, 2008)
14	Minnesota (1961*, 1971+, 1974*, 1975*, 1976*, 1979*, 1980*, 1981*, 1993, 1994, 1996, 2003, 2004, 2007)
12	Wisconsin (1970+, 1972*, 1973*, 1977, 1978*, 1982, 1983, 1988, 1990, 1995, 1998, 2013)
11	North Dakota (1967*, 1968*, 1979*, 1980*, 1987, 1997, 2000, 2006, 2010, 2011, 2012) Michigan Tech (1960*, 1962, 1965, 1969+, 1970+, 1974*, 1975*, 1976*, 1981*, 2017, 2018)
3	Northern Michigan (1989, 1991, 1992) Minnesota Duluth (1984, 1985, 2009)
2	Michigan State (1966*, 1967*) Minnesota State (2014, 2015)
1	Colorado College (1978*) St. Cloud State (2001) Ferris State (2016)

* 1st round playoff winner; • 2nd round playoff winner;
+ East & West Regional playoff winners

PLAYOFF CHAMPIONSHIPS WON BY COACH

Titles Coach, Team (Championship Seasons)

10	Murray Armstrong, Denver (1960*, 1961*, 1963, 1964, 1966*, 1968*, 1969+, 1971+, 1972*, 1973*)
9	John MacInnes, Michigan Tech (1960*, 1962, 1965, 1969+, 1970+, 1974*, 1975*, 1976*, 1981*)
6	Bob Johnson, Wisconsin (1970+, 1972*, 1973*, 1977, 1978*, 1982) Herb Brooks, Minnesota (1971+, 1974*, 1975*, 1976*, 1979*, 1980*) Jeff Sauer, Colorado College/Wisconsin (1978*, 1983, 1988, 1990, 1995, 1998)
4	George Gwozdecky, Denver (1999, 2002, 2005, 2008) Dave Hakstol, North Dakota (2006, 2010, 2011, 2012)
3	Gino Gasparini, North Dakota (1979*, 1980*, 1987) Rick Comley, Northern Michigan (1989, 1991, 1992) Doug Woog, Minnesota (1993, 1994, 1996) Don Lucia, Minnesota (2003, 2004, 2007)
2	Amo Bessone, Michigan State (1966*, 1967*) Bill Selman, North Dakota (1967*, 1968*) Mike Sertich, Minnesota Duluth (1984, 1985) Dean Blais, North Dakota (1997, 2000) Mike Hastings, Minnesota State (2014, 2015)
1	John Mariucci, Minnesota (1961*) Brad Buetow, Minnesota (1981*) Ralph Backstrom, Denver (1986) Craig Dahl, St. Cloud State (2001) Scott Sandelin, Minnesota Duluth (2009) Mike Eaves, Wisconsin (2013) Bob Daniels, Ferris State (2016) Mel Pearson, Michigan Tech (2017) Joe Shawhan, Michigan Tech (2018)

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TEAM APPEARANCES IN WCHA FINAL FIVE

Following, by member team, are appearances in WCHA Final Five. Beginning with the 1987-88 season and on through the 1991-92 season, the WCHA Playoff Championship consisted of four first round playoff winners advancing to a single site championship. Beginning in 1992-93, the league playoff championship became known as the WCHA Final Five, with five first round playoff winners advancing to a single site championship. Since 2013-14, the WCHA Final Five field has consisted of four first round playoff winners.

No.	Team	Championship Appearances
23	Minnesota [^]	1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993*, 1994*, 1995, 1996*, 1997, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003*, 2004*, 2005, 2006, 2007*, 2008, 2009, 2012, 2013
20	North Dakota [^]	1988, 1990, 1991, 1995, 1997*, 1998, 1999, 2000*, 2001, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006*, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010*, 2011*, 2012*, 2013 1988*, 1989, 1990*, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995*, 1996, 1998*, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2013*
19	Wisconsin [^]	1994, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001*, 2002, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2013
15	St. Cloud State [^]	1992, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2008, 2011, 2013
14	Colorado College [^]	1989, 1995, 1997, 1999*, 2002*, 2005*, 2008*, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012
11	Denver [^]	1988, 1993, 1998, 2003, 2004, 2006, 2009*, 2010, 2011, 2012 1993, 1994, 1996, 2007, 2012, 2015, 2016
10	Minnesota Duluth [^]	1989*, 1990, 1991*, 1992*, 1993, 1994
6	Michigan Tech	2000, 2003, 2013, 2014*, 2015*, 2016
	Northern Michigan	2004, 2011, 2014
	Minnesota State	2014, 2015, 2016
3	Alaska Anchorage	2014, 2015, 2016*
	Bowling Green	2011
	Ferris State	
1	Bemidji State	

* indicates playoff champion

[^] left WCHA after 2012-13 season

TEAM APPEARANCES IN WCHA CHAMPIONSHIP

Following, by member team, are appearances in the on-campus WCHA Championship. Beginning with the 2016-17 season, the "WCHA Playoffs" have consisted of four (4) best-of-three, quarterfinal round series hosted by the league's top four regular-season finishers, followed by two (2) best-of-three semifinal round series hosted by the highest remaining seeds. The "WCHA Championship" is a single game, hosted by the highest remaining seed.

No.	Team	Championship Appearances
2	Michigan Tech	2017*, 2018*
1	Bowling Green	2017
	Northern Michigan	2018

* indicates playoff champion